

APRIL 4th, 1814.

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Read the first and second time and committed to a committee of the whole house to-morrow

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## A Bill

*To repeal an act, entitled “ An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States,” and so much of any act or acts as prohibit the importation of goods, wares, and merchandise, of the growth, produce, or manufacture of Great Britain or Ireland, or of any of the colonies or dependencies thereof, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great Britain, and for other purposes.*

1       *Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of*  
2   *the United States of America in congress assembled, That*  
3   the act, entitled “ An act laying an embargo on all ships and  
4   vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States,” passed  
5   on the seventeenth day of December, one thousand eight hun-  
6   dred and thirteen, be, and the same is hereby repealed: *Provided,*  
7   That all penalties and forfeitures which have been incurred un-  
8   der the said act, shall be recovered and distributed, and may be  
9   mitigated or remitted in like manner as if the said act had con-  
10   tinued in full force and virtue.

1     Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of any act  
2 or acts as prohibits the importation of goods, wares, or mer-  
3 chandise, of the growth, produce, or manufacture of Great Bri-  
4 tain or Ireland, or of any of the colonies or dependencies there-  
5 of, or of any place or country in the actual possession of Great  
6 Britain, be, and the same is hereby repealed: *Provided*, That  
7 all fines, penalties, and forfeitures incurred by virtue of the said  
8 act or acts, shall be recovered and distributed, and may be miti-  
9 gated or remitted in like manner as if the same had continued in  
10 full force and virtue: *And provided also*, That nothing herein  
11 contained shall be construed to authorise or permit the importa-  
12 tion of goods, wares, or merchandise, or of any article the pro-  
13 perty of, or belonging at the time of such importation to, the  
14 enemy or enemies of the United States.

1     Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That no foreign ship or  
2 vessel shall receive a clearance, or be permitted to depart from  
3 the United States, whose officers and crew shall not consist  
4 wholly of the citizens or subjects of the country to which such  
5 ship or vessel shall belong, or of a country in amity with the  
6 United States: and no citizen of the United States shall be per-  
7 mitted to depart in such ship or vessel without a passport or  
8 permission therefor, furnished under the authority and direction  
9 of the president of the United States.